

RFP #1000177454

CMTA Free to Grow Silviculture Survey Services

Amendment #1

And

Questions & Answers

Amendment ONE:

The bid closing date is amended to February 5, 2016 @ 3:00PM (PDT)

Q1 Is the contract expectation that stands having greater than 5m²/ha of stem retention be surveyed as multi-layer or are there situations where these stands could be surveyed as even aged (single layer)?

A1 They are pretty cut and dry blocks on the CMTA in this regard.

Old pine blocks were clear cut and would fall in the even aged category (mainly on the West side of the CMTA).

Predominantly Fir blocks were selectively harvested and would fall into the multi layered category.

This would be a judgement call by the forest professional on a block by block basis and would need to be determined by the signing RPF.

We do not have a concrete value of how much would fall into each category but would say that an estimate may be 30-35% even aged and 65-70% would be multi-layered.

Q2 We would like to review the status of the blocks in RESULTS to get an idea of the survey work involved. Is it possible for you to send us a shape file of the survey boundaries (or a list of the openings with any status details) and a recent ortho of the area?

A2 As per the tender documents, the total area is indicated and map provided at Annex "C".

Q3 Do you have any information regarding block accessibility?

A3 As per the tender documents pages 22 and 23, "Site conditions" and "Known field safety hazards" accessibility is described.

- Q4** Are the blocks easily accessible by 4x4 truck and are the roads well maintained?
- A4** Yes as described on Page 22, "Site Conditions"
- Q5** Do you have a sample report for submission?
- A5** No, however report inclusions are listed in the statement of work.
- Q6** Will a JRP SNAP export file be accepted as a deliverable?
- A6** Deliverables are listed in the Statement of work, page 23. Additionally, INAC will accept standard reporting that would be in accordance with submissions to the provincial RESULTS database.
- Q7** What is the plot intensity? 1 plot every 2 hectares if opening is larger than 10 ha (or 5 ha). (page 11 states 10 ha in table and page 20 states 5 ha)
- A7** Page 20 of the tender document states "unless openings/stratums are less than 5 hectares"
This is amended to "unless openings/stratums are less than 10 hectares"
- Q8** Will you provide the SP and latest survey for these areas with maps?
- A8** We do not have SP's on these blocks as they were logged under BC MOF (from late 1960's to early 1980's). The upcoming surveys will assess if stands are FTG and provide current stocking.
- Q9** Will you provide georeferenced maps of the survey areas?
- A9** We will provide a Georeferenced Shape File of openings as per the Ortho Map attached as Annex "C" to the tender documents.
- Q10** Will you provide a shape file of the Standard Units?
- A10** We do not have data on Standard Units within historical blocks.